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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: George H. HOFFMAN et al.  
Title: SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER  
PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR RESTAURANT  
FOOD COST REPORTING IN A SUPPLY  
CHAIN  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group II (Claims 7-18), drawn to a system and computer program product for processed product supply chain reporting for prosecution in the subject application in order to advance the prosecution of this application.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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